

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Applicants take note that the Fourth Supplemental Amendment After Final Rejection of March 1, 2004 has been entered by the Examiner by her Advisory Action of March 15, 2004.

With respect to the Advisory Action of April 14, 2004, items b) and c), Applicants have amended page 1, lines 22-27 and page 1, lines 29-32, by using the exact language suggested by the Examiner thus avoiding reinstatement of the new matter rejections from the previous Office Action.

With respect to Item 1, subparagraphs g) and h) of the Examiner's Advisory Action of March 15, 2004, Applicants have amended the specification at page 5, lines 15-16. These amendments are deemed to overcome the §112, first paragraph rejection and, accordingly, they should be withdrawn.

With respect to Item 7 of the Advisory Action of March 15, 2004 subparagraphs (a) and (d), amendments to the specification have been made as indicated, and it is respectfully submitted that the objection to the disclosure has been overcome and, accordingly, should be withdrawn.

With respect to the Examiner's rejection of claim 34 under §112, first paragraph, as set forth at page 4 of the April 14, 2004 Advisory Action, it is respectfully submitted that it has been overcome by virtue of the amendment made to claim 34. Applicants by their amendment to claim 34 to recite that R₁₁ is H and that h is 0 or 1 serves to overcome the new matter rejection labelled paragraph 8 in the Office Action mailed March 15, 2004. The scope of claim 34 is coextensive with the

sub-genus disclosed at page 7, lines 25-29 of the specification. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully solicited.

With respect to the §112, second paragraph, rejection set forth in Item 9 of the Advisory Action of March 15, 2004 in subparagraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), and (e), it is respectfully submitted that the amendments made to claims 21, 25, 28, 29, and 34 serve to overcome this rejection and, accordingly, its withdrawal is respectfully solicited.

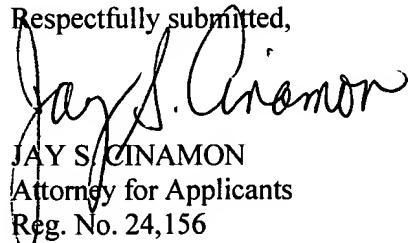
In examples 8, 9 and 10, the Italian word "cui" was correctly translated as "wherein". However, in typing the PCT application from the English translation, both "wherein" and "cui" were inadvertently included. Accordingly, the deletion of the word "cui" from the specification is appropriate and proper.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the rejections and objections to the claims now pending have been overcome and, accordingly, withdrawal is respectfully solicited.

The issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,


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